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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO

General Counsel

DATE: 4 November 1948

FROM

Assistant Chief, Fiscal Division

SUBJECT:

Claim Against Railway Express Agency

OGC HAS REVIEWED.

- 1. Attached is U.S. Government Bill of Lading No. XG-627, covering shipment of an adding machine from Rosslyn, Virginia to Reseda, California. Attention is invited to the entry in the "Report of Loss, Damage, or Shrinkage" portion of the form which shows damage to the equipment shipped.
- 2. In response to an inquiry from the Railway Express Company with respect to an unpaid invoice, letter dated 26 October 1948 (copy attached) was issued advising the carrier of our intent with respect to effecting an adjustment for the damages sustained under GBL No. XG-627. (Subsequent to the time our letter was written, billing was received for repair of the adding machine, the charge being \$79.05.)
- 3. The enclosed reply from the Railway Express Agency, dated 1 November 1948, states that its liability cannot be more than \$50.00 in the event it is held responsible for the damage, this contention being based upon provisions included on the REA uniform express receipt. We have been informed by Louis L. Wiener that no uniform express receipt was involved in this shipment, GBL No. XG-627 having governed the movement.
- 4. The matter is referred to your office for consideration and a determination as to the appropriate action to be taken. The file should be returned to this office with your recommendation.

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Attachment